SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 636

By Southerland

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Don Hamilton upon his receipt of the Governor's Volunteer Stars Award.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should specially recognize those estimable citizens who have dedicated their time and energies to helping others; and

WHEREAS, each year, 1.17 million Tennessee volunteers give over 143.9 million hours of community service, contributing \$3.5 billion to Tennessee's economy; and

WHEREAS, these volunteers are the backbone of our communities, and by giving their time and talents to fulfill needs that would otherwise go unmet, they embody the spirit of giving; and

WHEREAS, these individuals should be recognized, not only to appreciate their efforts, but also in the hope that such recognition will encourage others to step up and make a difference; and

WHEREAS, Don Hamilton of Greene County is one such exemplary person, who is a recipient of the Governor's Volunteer Stars Award in recognition of his laudable commitment to his community; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hamilton has been a vital source of support for the Boys & Girls Club of Greeneville & Greene County since its inception in 1998. He volunteers as a bus driver, helping transport club members during pool and field trips, often coming in on short notice whenever the Boys & Girls Club is in need of assistance; and

WHEREAS, Don Hamilton has also served on the board of the Greeneville Parks & Recreation for many years, and he has been of service to many schools and groups over the years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hamilton is a model citizen, and his commitment to helping others through volunteerism is representative of the Volunteer State, and he should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor and commend Don Hamilton upon his receipt of the Governor's Volunteer Stars Award, applaud his outstanding community leadership, and extend to him our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.